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From the Librarian's desk . . . .

During the summer months we have been taking our pulse and we are pleased to report that the Morton Grove Public Library's vital signs remain strong and steady! According to our 1990-91 Annual Report, 475 of you visited the library every day. During the year (May, 1990 to April, 1991) you checked out a total of 245,798 items, including:

- 100,826 adult books
- 109,810 children's books
- 7,180 videotapes
- 7,023 compact discs
- 761 children's toys, games & puzzles

Over 8,000 new items were added to the library's collection, while nearly 11,000 old or outdated items were removed. In addition, attendance at the Children's Department's numerous classes and story hours exceeded 7,000, with hundreds more participating in the summer and school-year reading programs. The Library is a strong supporter of the American Library Association's **Kids Who Read Succeed** program, as these numbers show.

Since September is **Library Card Sign-Up Month**, the Library encourages all Morton Grove residents who don't have a library card (all 13,000 of you!) to come in and get your own, free library card. All that's required is one form of identification with your name and current Morton Grove address (driver's license, voter registration card, or current mail; children 10 and under also need a parent's or guardian's signature). A Morton Grove Library card entitles you to a wealth of wonders — come in and see what you've been missing!

Sharron L. McCoy
Library Director

The Library will be closed Monday, September 2 for Labor Day.

The Library will re-open on Sundays beginning September 8. Sunday hours are 1:00 to 5:00.

Lyric Opera programs

The Skokie Valley Chapter of Lyric Opera of Chicago will again sponsor a series of lectures on the operas to be performed this 1991-92 season. Each program will include musical excerpts of the opera being presented.

Mefistofele, by Arrigo Boito, will be discussed by John Quaid, a member of the Skokie Valley Chapter, on Sunday, Sept. 15 at 2:00.

I Puritani, by Vincenzo Bellini, will be interpreted by Dr. Thomas Brown, Professor of Music at DePaul University, on Sunday, Oct. 20 at 2:00.

The series will continue with Donizetti's ***Elixir of Love*** on Nov. 24 and Puccini's ***Madama Butterfly*** on Dec. 8.

Refreshments will be served by the Skokie Valley Chapter after each program. Everyone is invited to hear these informative and entertaining discussions which enhance the understanding and appreciation of the opera.

Illustrations by Robert Shore, reproduced from *Stories of the World's Great Operas*, by Thomas Matthews (Golden Press, 1968).

Simple strategies for career success

How do I know my career is right for me? How do I get a career I like? How do I advance on a career track?

These and other questions will be answered in a seminar on "Career Success", presented on Wednesday, October 23 at 7:30. Jean Black and Mary Dewyer of Career Success Services in Northbrook will give hot tips for getting ahead in the workplace of the 90's and making the most of one's job or career.

Both women are highly qualified as employment consultants and have presented many seminars and workshops in the Chicago area. Everyone in the job market today is invited to attend this informative and beneficial program.

Feature films for Fall

A pair of comedy hits will brighten the Adult Feature Film Program at the Library this Fall.

The funny and touching film, ***Only the Lonely***, starring John Candy, Maureen O'Hara, Anthony Quinn and James Belushi, will be shown on Monday, Sept. 16. Produced by John Hughes, this film is for anyone who's ever had a mother!

On Monday, Oct. 14, the satirical smash, ***Soapdish*** will be shown, starring Sally Field and Kevin Kline. The film pokes good-natured fun at the ever-popular television soap operas and shows some interesting back-stage mayhem.

Both films will be shown at 2:30 and 7:30 and, as always, admission is free.

Choosing retirement & nursing homes

Choosing the right retirement home or a long-care home is a difficult task. A helpful discussion of this problem will be presented on Thursday, Oct. 3, at 2:00.

Barbara Gass and Nina Weisberg, partners in The Right Choice, Inc., in Northbrook, will present their ideas and suggestions on finding the best possible retirement or nursing home in the Chicagoland area. Both women have backgrounds in medical technology and nutrition.

Senior citizens and families of seniors are invited to come and share in this informative program.

Time organization

The role that time plays in all our lives will be discussed in a seminar entitled, "Time Organization - Success in the 90's and Beyond", presented at the Library on Thursday, Oct. 17, at 7:30.

The seminar will be conducted by Matthew Berrafato, the president of Dimensional Benefits Consultants, Inc., of Morton Grove. Mr. Berrafato has extensive experience in implementing time management systems and has appeared on television and radio. The seminar applies to both personal and business schedules and is beneficial to people of all ages.

Con games and scams

Warning! There are con games and "scams" of all kinds perpetrated around Morton Grove as well as other suburbs and everyone is vulnerable, especially the elderly.

The Library and the Morton Grove Police Dept. want to inform our citizens by presenting a program on "Con Games & Scams" on Thursday, Oct. 10, at 7:30. Officer Matthew Pankow will discuss phone scams, door-to-door solicitation, remodeling and landscaping frauds - and gypsies.

Come and hear good, common-sense advice on this growing problem in our community.

Book review - Boy's Life

Boy's Life, a humorous and haunting tale of life in a small Alabama town in 1964, will be reviewed by Barbara Todd on Sunday, Oct. 13, at 2:00, and repeated on Thursday, Oct. 17, at 2:00.

This poignant novel by Robert R. McCammon is narrated by 12-year-old Cory Meckenson, who comes of age as he copes with a brutal murder in his idyllic home town of Zephyr. Come and hear this enthralling story of life in the Deep South of not-so-long ago.

Financial seminar

A discussion of annuities, life insurance, and investments for the 90's, will be presented by Don Thurman and Howard Weinberg of the Sun Financial Group on Thursday, Sept. 19, at 7:30.

Both young and older investors will be interested in strategies of diversification, dollar cost averaging, and ideas for investing safely for children's or grandchildren's college education.

Questions will be taken from the audience and everyone is invited to this informational program.

Baby-sitting workshop

The Fall Baby-Sitting Workshop will begin Friday, Oct. 18, at 4:00. Registration is required and will be taken at the Readers' Service Desk beginning on Oct. 7.

The class is open to 6th graders and above and will be conducted by Paramedic Michael Spina of the Morton Grove Fire Dept. The four-week workshop will conclude on Nov. 8 and is limited to 15 students.

Did you know...

...that the Library now has a copy machine that will accept more than 10¢ at a time? You can put in as much money as you want, then make single or multiple copies until the money is used up.

In the Baxter Room...

Lunchtime Movies

Our popular Lunchtime Movies will continue throughout the Fall, featuring films on Williamsburg,Ontario, Hong Kong and the Volga River.

Films are shown every Tuesday at 11:30 and free coffee is served.

Travelogues

A personal odyssey to **Southeastern Australia** will be presented by Myrla Brand on Tuesday, Sept. 10. Ms. Brand, a traveler and lecturer from Arlington Heights, presents beautiful slides of the countries she visits.

The panorama of **California** will be shown on Tuesday, Oct. 8. Films of San Francisco, Yosemite, and the spectacular coastal drive of the country's longest state will be featured.

Both travelogues will be presented at 11:30 and 7:30.

Art exhibits

Lorraine Meyer, a Morton Grove resident, will exhibit her photographs in the Baxter Room during the month of October.

The scenes and people of Chicagoland will be featured in her photographs in both color and black and white. Ms. Meyer is a member of the Skokie Camera Club and the Botanic Gardens Camera Club and has been studying photography for several years.

Short stories series

Barbara Todd, staff reviewer, will continue her storytelling series for adults, based on classic and contemporary short stories in the Library collection. The program is presented on the 4th Thursday afternoon of the month at 2:00.

Collector's showcase

Do you have a collection of beautiful or unique items you would like to exhibit for others to enjoy? If so, contact Barbara Geyer at the Library, 965-4220. We are always looking for new displays, and your collection will be appreciated by all who visit the Library.

The following groups meet monthly or semi-monthly at the library:

Agoraphobia – 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 7:00
Morton Grove Lioness Club – 4th Monday, 7:00
Quilters – 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:00
Toastmasters – 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 7:30
North Shore Prime Timers - 3rd Thursday, 7:00
Morton Grove Coin Club – 3rd Monday, 7:00
Morton Grove Historical Society – 3rd Tuesday, 7:30

Everyone is welcome to attend these meetings.

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Children's Department

Children's programs

The Fall session of children's classes will begin **October 14**; registration will start **September 9** for Morton Grove residents, and September 16 for non-residents.

Library Playtime for 2½ Year Olds & Parents
October 17 through December 6
Please choose one of the following:
Thursday ..... 10:30 am
Friday ..... 10:30 am
Class limit – 12 and 12 parents

Stories & Stuff
October 14 through December 2
Grades 1-2 Monday 7:00 pm
Class limit – 12

Arts & Crafts
October 14 through December 6
Grades 1-3..... Monday 4:00 pm
Grades 4-6..... Friday 4:00 pm
Class limit – 15

Pre-School Story Hour
October 14 through December 5
Please choose one of the following times for children ages 3-Kindergarten
Monday ..... 1:00 pm
Tuesday..... 10:00 am & 1:00 pm
Wednesday..... 10:00 am & 1:00 pm
Thursday ..... 7:00 pm
Class limit – 30

Creative Writing
October 16 through December 5
Grades 2-6..... Wednesday 4:00 pm
or Thursday 4:00 pm
Class limit - 40

Halloween party

A Halloween Party will be held for children and parents on Sunday, October 17, at 2:00 in the Baxter Room. The festivities will include films, songs, a costume contest and refreshments. All children through 6th grade (and their parents) are invited.

Reading program awards

Reading certificates and prizes for participants in the Children's Summer Reading Program will be presented on Saturday, September 7, at 2:00 in the Baxter Room. Children and their parents are invited to attend.

Look for the winning entries in the Children's Art Contest displayed in the stairwells to the Children's Department.

What's New in the Adult Department

Fiction

Anderson, Patrick - *Rich As Sin*
Anthony, Evelyn - *The Relic*
Blake, Jennifer - *Joy & Anger*
Cole, Sheila - *The Dragon in the Cliff*
Curtis, Jack - *Point of Impact*
Davis, Patti - *A House of Secrets*
Egleton, Clive - *Last Act*
Gabaldon, Diana - *Outlander*
Godden, Rumer - *Coromandel Sea Change*
Godwin, Parke - *Sherwood*
Hart, Carolyn - *The Christie Caper*
Leonard, Elmore - *Maximum Bob*
Levitsky, Ronald - *The Love That Kills*
McCarry, Charles - *Second Sight*
Mortman, Doris - *The Wild Rose*
Peters, Elizabeth - *The Last Camel Died at Noon*
St. James, Ian - *Vengeance*
White, Stephen - *Privileged Information*

Non-Fiction

Andrews, Glenn - *Food From the Heartland - The Cooking of America's Midwest*
Bani-Sadr, Abol Hassan - *My Turn to Speak*
Benford, Timothy - *Righteous Carnage - The List Murders*
Berkley, Robert - *Apples - A Cookbook*
Better Homes and Gardens - *Household Hints and Tips*
Bono, Sonny - *And the Beat Goes On*
Bugliosi, Vincent - *Drugs in America - The Case For Victory*
Dollinger, Dr. Malin - *Everyone's Guide to Cancer*
Eels, George - *Final Gig - The Man Behind the Murder of Gig Young*
Greising, David - *Brokers, Bagmen & Moles - Fraud & Corruption in the Chicago Futures Markets*
Lichter, S. Robert - *Watching America - What Television Tells Us About Our Lives*
Matthiessen, Peter - *African Silences*
Rinzler, Carol - *Are You at Risk? How to Identify and Reduce Your Risk for More Than 100 Diseases ...*
Schickel, Richard - *Brando - A Life in Our Times*
Seitz, Ruth - *Amish Ways*
Smith, Jeff - *The Frugal Gourmet's Culinary Handbook*

Videos

Reversal of Fortune
Kindergarten Cop
Green Card
Good Fellas
The Grifters
Postcards From the Edge
End of Innocence
Edward Scissorhands
Russia House
Not Without My Daughter
Long Walk Home
Skokie
Dances With Wolves
Rescuers Down Under
Awakenings
Sleeping With the Enemy
Mr. & Mrs. Bridge
Home Alone
Where There's a Will, There's An A - How to Get Better Grades ...
Misery
How I Found a New Job in Six Weeks

Compact Discs

Amy Grant - *Heart in Motion*
Paula Abdul - *Spellbound*
Dolly Parton - *Eagle When She Flies*
David Lanz - *Skyline Fire Dance*
Basia - *London - Warsaw - New York*
Arrigo, Boito - *Mefistofele (Opera)*
Midori - *Live at Carnegie Hall*
Sting - *Peter and the Wolf*
Hvorostovsky - *Russian Romances*

Calendar of Events

September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Library Closed	2 Labor Day Library Closed	3 Lunchtime Movies 11:30	4	5	6	7 Children's Reading Program Party 2:00
8	9 Rosh Hashanah	10 Travelog: **Southeast Australia** 11:30 & 7:30	11	12 Library Board Meeting 7:45	13 **Book Discussion** 10:00	14
15 Opera Lecture: ***Mefistofele*** 2:00	16 Feature Film: ***Only the Lonely*** 2:30 & 7:30	17 Lunchtime Movies 11:30	18 Yom Kippur	19 **Financial Seminar** 7:30	20	21
22	23	24 Lunchtime Movies 11:30	25	26 **Short Stories Series** 2:00	27	28
29	30					

October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Lunchtime Movies 11:30	2	3 **The Right Choice** 2:00	4	5
6	7 Columbus Day (Library open)	8 Travelog: **California** 11:30 & 7:30	9	10 Library Bd. Mtg. 7:45 **Con Games & Scams** 7:30	11 **Book Discussion** 10:00	12
13 **Book Review** 2:00	14 Feature Film: ***Soapdish*** 2:30 & 7:30	15 Lunchtime Movies 11:30	16	17 **Book Review** 2:00 **Time Organization** 7:30	18 Baby-Sitting Class 4:00	19
20 Opera Lecture: ***I Puritani*** 2:00	21	22 Lunchtime Movies 11:30	23 **Strategies for Career Success** 7:30	24 **Short Stories Series** 2:00	25 Baby-Sitting Class 4:00	26
27 **Children's Halloween Party** 2:00	28	29 Lunchtime Movies 11:30	30	31		

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